

# BLOCKMAKERS WORKSHOP® 2023

# Advanced Concrete Masonry Technology\*

27 February-3 March

Advanced CMT is a more indepth, conversational, hands-

on look at best practices for mix designs, batching sequence, quality control (QC/QA) and product testing. Group discussions and hands-on production and testing cover advanced issues such as Bill of Materials (BOMs), moisture compensation, and the effect of mix moisture, gradations, cement content, curing, and color load on strength and unit color. All machine types will be covered such as cam, Servopac®, and competitive equipment (plate vibration/large pallet equipment). We will cover pertinent ASTM specifications for specialty products, recycled materials, and their use in our industry. This class is well suited for concrete technicians, quality personnel or advanced machine operators. Price: US \$1150

# Advanced Vibrapac®\*

The Advanced Vibrapac® course provides more extensive hands-on work for practical application in concrete products production, both mechanical and electrical. Students are required to adjust a concrete products machine to low height and to manufacture concrete products in class. Electrical sessions cover Allen-Bradley programmable controllers. Greater concentration is applied to schematic print reading and ladder logic diagnosis. Price: US \$1150

## Concrete Masonry Technology

30 January-3 February 18-22 September

Concrete Masonry Technology covers all aspects of manufacturing

concrete products. Knowledge gained within this course will produce an immediate impact in your operations. In an easy-to-follow structured format, the class covers raw material components (cement, water, aggregate, admixtures, and pigment), hands-on aggregate sieve analysis, multi-aggregate blending, mix designs, manufacture of product, and curing fundamentals. Upon completion of the class, students will have a working understanding of all aspects of raw materials, mixing sequence, mix designs, and curing to champion this knowledge when they return to their facilities. Price: US \$1150

#### Electronic Controls\*

20-24 March 16-20 October The Electronic Controls course includes an in-depth study of electrical wiring and programmable logic

controllers. Applications and troubleshooting for Allen-Bradley programmable controllers are studied. Practical applications and troubleshooting will be covered on concrete products machines, Multi-Spade Besser-Matic loader/unloaders, and cubers. Price: US \$1150

# **Executive Session**

18-20 July

The Executive Session is a condensed version of the Concrete Masonry

Technology and Vibrapac® Blockmakers Workshops® tailored to upper management. New products, programs, and current issues are also discussed in a roundtable format with industry executives and professionals. Price: US \$850

Note: the Executive Session does not qualify for Master Blockmaker certification.

### Vibrapac®

6-10 February 9-13 October The Vibrapac® concrete products machine course is a hands-on study of the proper machine adjustments, electronics, and electrical

schematic print reading of the V3 Vibrapac® concrete products machines. Students are given troubleshooting problems as a practical application of these topics. Price: US \$1150

Become a
Master Blockmaker®
by completing 5
Blockmakers Workshops

\*Prerequisite required for these courses:
Advanced CM Tech - CMT required
Advanced Vibrapac® - Vibrapac® required
Electronic Controls - Vibrapac® or Product Handling



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